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In re Patent Application of:
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For: METHOD FOR THE SURVEILLANCE FOR
BIOLOGICAL, CHEMICAL AND
RADIOLOGICAL AGENTS

Examiner: S. L. Bausch

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action mailed August 28, 2009. **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper. Since this submission is timely (i.e., on Monday, November 30, 2009, following November 28, 2009, which fell on Saturday), no fee is believed due with this submission. However, if the Examiner believes otherwise, the Examiner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this response to our Deposit Account No. 04-0100.